



The Ridges Sanctuary Research Permit Application

Portions of The Ridges Sanctuary are open to certain research activities. Researchers are asked to complete this “Research Permit Application” for approval *prior* to beginning work in the field. The Ridges reserves the right to deny research permit applications should the proposed project not align with goals of the organization.

Please submit applications a minimum of 14 days prior to the proposed start date of fieldwork. Researchers are encouraged to attach additional information related to project scope, maps, project websites, and relevant research. The Ridges may request additional information prior to approval. Completed applications can be submitted to The Ridges Sanctuary's Director of Research Tony Kiszonas at tony@ridgessanctuary.org.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:

Institution/Affiliation:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Email:

Name and affiliation of all participants working under this permit:

Funding Source:

Please identify any grants or funding sources supporting this project.

PROJECT TIMELINE

Proposed Project Start Date:

Proposed Project End Date:

Submission Deadline:

Date you will be able to provide data and summary of findings to The Ridges Sanctuary.

PERMIT INFORMATION

Project Title:

Location Description:

Briefly describe where on The Ridges property you propose to work, please indicate important features like ridges, swales, and habitat description. Ridges staff will work closely with research teams to determine access points to Ridges property.

Description and Goals:

Describe the project, goals of the project, and note any benefits to The Ridges.

Methods:

Outline methods of conducting research, including detailed collection information (purpose and methods) as well as remediation plans upon completion.

Impact:

Identify any equipment or structures that will be utilized in the field and identify any potential negative impacts on the land, flora, and fauna. Minimal removal or impact to plant matter and/org soil is requested.

Land Management Restrictions:

As a site focused on ecological restoration, The Ridges Sanctuary land management includes invasive species treatment and removal, tree and brush removal, seed collection, planting and seeding, mowing, and other activities. Do you have concerns that management activities might interfere with your research project? If so, please identify.

PERMIT TERMS

- help steward The Ridges Sanctuary’s property and report any concerns during the project
- correspond with The Ridges staff on project progress and any revisions to plans or field dates
- label research plots and/or structures with your name and permit number on flagging tape provided by The Ridges
- provide data, metadata, photos of research activities, and resulting papers and/or presentations to The Ridges by submission deadline, if applicable
- data and any reports submitted to The Ridges will not be available for public use until the researcher(s) has had time to publish results

The Ridges Sanctuary Board of Directors, its members, and staff **will not accept responsibility or be liable** for accidents or incidents resulting in injuries, loss of life or damage to personal property to any and all researchers/non-researchers that may result from this research activity. By conducting research on lands owned by The Ridges Sanctuary **you agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the State of Wisconsin, the Department of Natural Resources, and the above permit terms.** All those found in violation will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. Report all unlawful acts to The Ridges Sanctuary.

PERMISSION

I agree to the terms of this permit YES NO

NAME: DATE:

SIGNATURE: _____

 (THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE RIDGES SANCTUARY STAFF)

APPROVED DENIED PERMIT NUMBER: _____

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____